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REFER TO FILE:

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A3132i11

May 3, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber
Director of Public Works

BOARD MOTION OF JULY 21, 2009, AGENDA ITEM 65-A 60TH STREET WEST AT AVENUE M-8

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cc: Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan, Lisa Rizzo)
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April 6, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber *Gail Farber*
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March 15, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber
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February 22, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor
FROM: Gail Farber
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February 2, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor
FROM: Gail Farber, *Patrick V. DeChellis*
Director of Public Works

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January 6, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor
FROM: Gail Farber
Director of Public Works

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December 10, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor
FROM: Gail Farber, Director of Public Works

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November 18, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber *William Winter*
Director of Public Works

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October 15, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber *[Signature]*
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September 17, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor
FROM: Gail Farber
Director of Public Works

Patrick V. DeChellis

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August 19, 2009

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Gail Farber
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This intersection is shared jurisdictionally between the City of Palmdale (City) and the County. The approaches where the additional stop signs are requested are wholly within the City. Attached is a copy of the letter from Supervisor Michael D. Antonovich that asks the City for its formal opinion on this matter. We will continue to be in contact with the City's engineering staff as they consider this request.

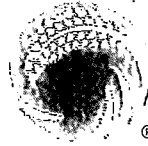
Our next status report will be sent to you in 30 days. If you have any questions, please call me or your staff may call Patrick V. DeChellis, Deputy Director, at (626) 458-4004.

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Attach.

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October 22, 2009

The Honorable Michael Antonovich
Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors
Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration Room 869
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisor Antonovich,

Thank you for notifying us that the Board of Supervisors took action requesting a multi-way stop at the intersection of Avenue M-8 and 60th Street West. The City of Palmdale has investigated the request for a multi-way stop at the subject location. The City's study is attached for your reference.

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Avenue M-8 and 60th Street West are identified in the City's General Plan as arterial roadways. As your letter outlines, the intersection is shared jurisdiction with Los Angeles County controlling the northeast corner (the westbound approach), while Palmdale controls the remaining three legs of the intersection. Stop signs are posted for eastbound and westbound traffic.

In 2006, the configuration of the intersection was modified to eliminate a northbound through lane in favor of a westbound-to-northbound free right turn lane. This allowed the stop bar and markings for westbound traffic to be moved further forward, improving intersection sight distance. The City collected traffic collision information from the beginning of 2006 through the end of 2008 for this analysis. The collision information at the location shows a declining trend and indicates that the corrective measures installed in 2006 appear to have been effective in reducing correctable collisions at the location. It is important to note that collision data comes from the sheriff's department and includes reported collisions involving property walls at or near the intersection.

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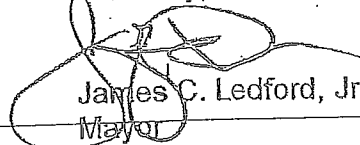
In addition, traffic volumes were collected in July of 2009 for the subject intersection. Based on those volumes, 60th Street West carries approximately 85 percent of the traffic entering the intersection on a typical weekday. Weekend traffic volume characteristics show a similar traffic distribution. Traffic volumes take into account the adjacent land uses, including the nearby church. The proposed multi-way stop could substantially increase the delay and queuing for an overwhelming majority of the motorists using this intersection.

Finally, the impact of the roadway slope on traffic speeds was considered and the speed limit has been set per the requirements of state law. Speed studies have been performed on each roadway segment, with speed limits set at the lowest value legally and reasonably defensible under state law.

The City of Palmdale has carefully reviewed your request. Based on the conditions at the intersection and the traffic data that was collected, the City does not currently support a multi-way stop at this location. The City will reconsider its position should the County provide a traffic study that justifies a multi-way stop at the location, or should conditions change at the intersection.

Please provide any analysis of the intersection the County performs or has performed to Bill Padilla, the City Traffic / Transportation Engineer. He may be reached at (661) 267-5300. As always, I appreciate your efforts in matters concerning Palmdale.

Sincerely,



James C. Ledford, Jr.
Mayor

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C: City Council
Stephen H. Williams, City Manager
Laurie Lile, Assistant City Manager
Michael J. Mischel, Director of Public Works
Bill Padilla, Traffic / Transportation Engineer
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Item 65-A of your Board's July 21, 2009, agenda is a motion directing Public Works to install a 4-way stop sign at the intersection of 60th Street West and Avenue M-8 in Quartz Hill.

This intersection is shared jurisdictionally between the City of Palmdale and the County. Only the northeast quadrant is within the County. The approach within the County is currently stop-controlled.

Public Works, in consultation with the City of Palmdale, reviewed this intersection in early 2007 for multiway stop control. Additional traffic controls were not recommended at that time. The nationally recognized warrants used by us in guiding our engineering judgment for multiway stop control were not satisfied.

The City of Palmdale, in consultation with us, studied the intersection in early 2008. They also determined that multiway stop control was not recommended at that time. Their study did recommend the installation of "Cross Traffic Does Not Stop" signs. These signs, which supplement the stop signs on the east and west approaches, were installed in April 2008.

If adopted, we will refer this motion to the City of Palmdale for their consideration since the County does not have jurisdiction for the north and south approaches. We will report back to your Board with the status every 30 days as instructed.

Each Supervisor
July 21, 2009
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